GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA

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TRANSPORTATION OF COAL BY CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government has given contracts to the cooperative societies of displaced/ local people for transportation of coal;

(b) if so, the number of such cooperative societies entrusted with coal transportation work by different coal companies during the last three years;

(c) the details of registered cooperative societies which have not been entrusted with coal transportation work till now;

(d) whether the Coal Companies do not provide the level playing field to all the registered Societies; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARINARAYANA RAO)

(a): No, Sir. However, some coal companies have been giving contracts to co-operative societies of displaced people for transportation of coal.

(b): The number of such Co-operative Societies, which have been transporting coal during the last three years is as under:

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Bharat Coking Coal Limited - Six
Central Coalfields Limited - Three
Other Subsidiaries of CIL - Nil
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(c): Transportation work has been awarded only to those Co-operative Societies which had participated and secured the contract through tender process. Other societies have not been awarded contracts.

(d&e): No preference has been given to any co-operative society. All the registered co- operative societies have to participate in the tender process in order to secure the contract. However, Ex-Servicemen Companies, who are also engaged in coal transportation, are governed by a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Coal India Limited and Director General of Resettlement, and as such, are on a different footing.